

OSGKC Meeting Minutes 5/21/2023

2:30 Meeting called to order by Jean Rogers and Susie Hanna (Attendance: 53 in person)
Thanks to Diana for organizing hospitality and thanks to those who brought snacks.

Old Business:

1. Jean discussed how successful the auction was in April including recorded bidder turn out with 81 bidder numbers! A big Thank-You to Many members plus Ross Hella, Birds Botanicals, 808 Orchids, Windy Hill and Natts Sunset Valley with their generous donations. Donations alone brought a profit of \$1576. Below is a further breakdown of the Auction results:

Expenses: \$2,160 (Plants from 808 Orchids, Kalapana, Windy Hill, Hausermanns
Natt's Tropical Orchid Farm, Krull Smith and Sunset Valley)
\$728 (Publicity via Facebook, Flyers, Yard sign toppers, and 2
Feather Flags)
\$317 (Credit Card Charge and supplies)

Income: \$7,623. Auction, Sale tables, and Books

Net: \$4606 which is a record high

2. Mike Rafferty Lead many members on a Prairie Hike at Carver Prairie just outside of Joplin. The highlight of the trip was seeing grass pink orchids in a native site!
3. Project Plants-Handed out at the meeting including 62 to members

New Business:

1. Louise Hicks made a motion to approve the proposal handed out to all members at the last meeting regarding Membership Procedures as outlined below. This motion was seconded by Jean Rogers, and was unanimously approved by the society.

Proposed changes regarding OSGKC Membership Procedures:

OSGKC currently maintains duplicate master files for Membership records:

1. *Membership spreadsheet is maintained by Membership Chair*
2. *Information from the membership spreadsheet is manually re-entered in the annual Yearbook by the Yearbook chair*

This creates redundant effort and increases chances of inconsistent records due to data entry errors: Currently membership information is only distributed to OSGKC Membership annually in the printed yearbook, thus new members may wait several months to have their contact information shared with other members of the Society.

The Yearbook Committee proposes a procedural change to reduce redundancy, safeguard data integrity and provide updated membership information to OSGKC members on a quarterly basis.

If OSGKC Membership approves this proposal, Membership information would be communicated electronically to Society members quarterly and would not be printed in the annual Yearbook.

2. Susie Hanna discussed the upcoming show in October